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## LEGISLATORS

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## STATE OFFICERS

1876-1878.

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AUSTIN, TEXAS:
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## FIFTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

Counties. - Colorado and Lavaca.

Representative M. V. Kinnison is a native of Mississippi; was born April 15, 1833; was educated in Mississippi, and graduated at Oakland College in that State; graduated at Lebanon law school, in Tennessee, in 1856, under Judge Nathan Green and Judge Ab. Caruthers; came to Texas in 1857, and has since then devoted himself to the practice of law, in which he made reputation for ability and as a gentleman imbued with the highest sense of honor. He is a widower, and resides at Hallettsville, in Lavaca county.

Mr. Kinnison was never in public position

prior to his taking a seat in the Fifteenth Legislature, to which he was elected by the Democrats of his district, receiving a majority of 1101 votes.